GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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OLD BRIDGES ON NHs IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of old bridges on national highways in Bihar whose life span has expired;

(b) whether the Government proposes to widen the old bridges to reduce traffic congestion;

(c) if so, the details threof; and

(d) if not, the reasons threfor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H.MUNIYAPPA)

(a) There are 202 nos. of bridges on National Highways in Bihar, which require reconstruction.

(b) to (d) Reconstruction of bridges are taken up in a phased manner depending upon the availabilityof funds and inter se priority. Out of 202 nos. of bridges, 97 are being reconstructed on National Highways under National Highway Development Project (NHDP). On other National Highways construction of 11 bridges are under progress and provision for reconstruction of 14 bridges have been made in the current Annual Plan 2004-05. The bridges are being maintained in traffic worthy condition.